## TATEMENT

the daily weather recoy of the Hellis AFB gumnery ranges and adjacent areas. Takeoff was at approximately 0600 hours departing Hellis AFB on a direct course to Indian Springs AFB to note existing weather in that area. In flying this course and returning to Hellis AFB we were forced to remain below an overcast whose bettom was at 7,000 feet MSL. After returning to Hellis we were able to climb to 20,000 feet MSL over Hellis through an extensive break in the overcast. From this position it was noted that the overcast was solid to the west as far as the Sierra Hevada range. The top of this overcast is estimated at 10,000 feet MSL. In observing the Mt. Charleston area it was noted that the peak of the mountain was above the general overcast, however, only a small pertion of the peak was visible due to the presence of clouds nestled very close to the mountain itself. The clouds were of the same type as the overcast and were above the 10,000 foot MSL only in the close vicinity of the peak itself. The time of this observation is estimated to be 0645.

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